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TO ALL DIPLOMATIC AND CONSULAR POSTS

AMEMBASSY SUVA BY POUCH

XMT AMEMBASSY SUVA

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SUBJECT:COMMUNICATIONS FOR BERLIN

1. THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES TO THE GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC (EMBASSY BERLIN) AND THE COMMENCEMENT OF COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES FOR THAT POST HAS CREATED SOME CONFUSION CONCERNING ADDRESSES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE EMBASSY AND US MISSION BERLIN.

2. EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC (FORMAL DESIGNATION) WILL BE LOCATED IN EAST BERLIN. IT IS EXPECTED THAT THE RESPECTIVE EM-

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BASSIES OF THE US AND THE GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC (GDR)

WILL OPEN SIMULTANEOUSLY IN DECEMBER. AN EXACT DATE HAS NOT YET BEEN AGREED UPON BUT POSTS WILL BE NOTIFIED WHEN THE TWO EMBASSIES ARE FORMALLY OPEN FOR BUSINESS. AT PRESENT, US EMBASSY TO THE GDR EXISTS AS A FOREIGN SERVICE POST AND IS BOTH SENDING AND RECEIVING COMMUNICATIONS OF ALL KINDS.

3. OPENING OF EMBASSY TO GDR, LOCATED IN EAST BERLIN, DOES NOT AFFECT OPERATIONS OF US MISSION, LOCATED IN WEST BERLIN. EACH POST HAS ITS OWN SUBSTANTIVE AND ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURES AND FUNCTIONS, AND EACH HAS ITS OWN COMMUNICA-

TIONS. ALTHOUGH FOR SECURITY REASONS COMMUNICATIONS AND RECORDS UNIT OF US MISSION WILL FOR TIME BEING SERVICE EMBASSY BERLIN, COMMUNICATIONS FOR THE TWO POSTS SHOULD BE ADDRESSED SEPARATELY.

4. CABLE ADDRESS FOR EMBASSY IS AMEMBASSY BERLIN. CABLE ADDRESS FOR MISSION IS USMISSION USBERLIN REPEAT USBERLIN. AS STATED IN STATE 230323, ROUTING INDICATOR FOR BOTH POSTS WILL BE RUFHJA.

5. POUCH MATERIALS INTENDED FOR EMBASSY SHOULD BE ADDRESSED "AMERICAN EMBASSY, BERLIN", POUCH ADDRESS FOR MISSION REMAINS "USMISSION, BERLIN."

6. DRAFTING OFFICERS SHOULD DECIDE ON BASIS OF CONTENT OF GIVEN MESSAGE WHETHER IT SHOULD BE ADDRESSED ACTION AMEMBASSY BERLIN OR USMISSION USBERLIN, OR BOTH. US-GDR BILATERAL MATTERS SHOULD BE SENT FOR ACTION TO EMBASSY; MATTERS INVOLVING ALLIED RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES (INCLUDING ACCESS, CIVIL AVIATION, ETC.) SHOULD BE SENT FOR ACTION TO MISSION. IT SHOULD ALSO BE BORNE IN MIND IN DETERMINING INFO ADDRESSEES THAT MOST SUBSTANTIVE MESSAGES INVOLVING ONE MISSION WILL BE OF INTEREST TO THE OTHER. BOTH EMBASSY AND MISSION, FOR EXAMPLE, WILL WISH TO BE ADDRESSEES FOR SUBSTANTIVE REPORTING MESSAGES ON MATTERS AFFECTING EAST-WEST RELATIONS IN GENERAL (INCLUDING PERIODIC SUMMARIES OF CSCE AND MBFR NEGOTIATIONS),

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7. EXCEPTIONS TO THIS GUIDANCE WOULD INCLUDE ADMINISTRATIVE AND PERSONNEL MATTERS AFFECTING OPERATIONS OF ONLY EMBASSY OR MISSION, BUT ADMINISTRATIVE MESSAGES INVOLVING MISSION BACKSTOPPING OF EMBASSY (E.G., IN REGARD TO SHIPMENTS TRANSITING WEST BERLIN) SHOULD BE REPEATED TO MISSION.

8. EMBASSY WILL ASSUME CONSULAR RESPONSIBILITIES IM-

MEDIATELY AFTER OPENING, BUT MISSION WILL PROVIDE BACK-  
STOPPING ON VISA MATTERS FOR AN INTERIM PERIOD. MESSAGES  
ON VISAS FOR BEARERS OF GDR PASSPORTS SHOULD FOR TIME  
BEING, THEREFORE, BE ADDRESSED TO BOTH POSTS. INGERSOLL

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